



## 2025 North West Regional Skills Canada Competition

### Contest Description

Northwestern Polytechnic (NWP) Fairview Campus

April 11, 2025

<b>EVENT:</b> Workplace Safety		<b>LEVEL:</b> Secondary
<b>DURATION OF CONTEST:</b> 3 – 5 HOURS DEPENDING ON NUMBER OF COMPETITORS		<b>LOCATION:</b> NWP FAIRVIEW CAMPUS - ATRIUM
<b>COMPETITION SCHEDULE:</b>		<b>REGIONALIZED: NO</b> <b>If YES, To compete at the Provincial Skills Canada Competition students must qualify at their Regional Skills Canada Competition.</b>
ORIENTATION	April 11 <sup>th</sup> 8:30am	
QUIZ	April 11 <sup>th</sup> 9:00am - 9:30am	
SAFETY PRESENTATION	9:30am - 10:30am	
SCENARIO HAZARD ASSESSMENT	10:30am - 12:00pm	
LUNCH	12:00pm - 12:30pm	
<b>ORIENTATION IS MANDATORY:</b> Should a competitor not attend orientation they will unfortunately be disqualified from the competition.		
<b>AWARDS CEREMONY INFORMATION:</b> April 11 <sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm in the NWP Fairview Campus Theatre		

### CONTEST INTRODUCTION

To evaluate each competitor’s competency to organize and execute a given work assignment accurately and safely in the field of Occupational Health & Safety and as a result recognize outstanding competitors for excellence and professionalism.

### SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE TO BE TESTED

Participants will be tested on their:

1. Knowledge of Health & Safety principles through a multiple-choice test.
2. Ability to communicate Health & Safety information to others through a time limited presentation including answers to questions on their presentation.
3. Ability to identify & assess workplace hazards (including identifying hazard types & assessing probability & severity) and recommending corrective actions through a mock workplace inspection.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### Part 1: WORKPLACE SAFETY EXAM: (30-minute time limit)

Questions will test the competitor’s knowledge regarding Workplace Safety and includes topics such as Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG), First Aid, Workplace Hazardous Materials Information

System (WHMIS), Fire Safety, Hazard Identification and Controls, Ergonomics and Back Care, Confined Space, Electricity, Farm Safety and Workers’ Compensation issues. The test consists of 50 multiple choice questions.

**Part 2: HEALTH & SAFETY Presentation: (3 to 5 minutes – questions and answers 2 to 5 minutes)**

Each competitor will prepare a 3-5-minute presentation in which the competitor is featured describing an unsafe working condition or situation. The presentation must be on one of the below topics:

1. Worksite ‘Housekeeping’
2. Slips, Trips and Falls
3. Ladder Safety
4. Office Ergonomics
5. Personal Protective Equipment
6. WHMIS
7. Blood Bourne Pathogens
8. Incomplete Safe Work Permit

**Presentation must contain:**

1. An introduction
2. A brief overview of the unsafe condition or situation
3. Identify what the hazards are
4. Summarize what could have been done to prevent it
5. A closing statement
6. If a video presentation is given, it must be playable using Windows Media Player (version 9.1) in a Windows XP environment and brought on a USB memory stick in a WMV format (be sure to have a backup stick or file)

**\*\* Returning competitors MAY NOT use their previous skills’ competition’s presentation**

**Part 3: HAZARD IDENTIFICATION AND RISK ASSESSMENT: (45-minute time limit)**

Each competitor will inspect a mock workplace to identify hazards. The hazards will include areas such as worksite housekeeping, WHMIS, ergonomics, safety equipment, electrical hazards, and construction safety infractions. The competitor will note the hazard and what type it is, then rank each hazard according to the potential severity of the injury as well as the probability of an injury occurring. Lastly, the competitor will recommend corrective actions that can be implemented to control or eliminate each of the identified hazards.

**EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS**

**Equipment and Materials Competitors Must Supply:**

Pen or Pencil	Hard Hat
Props or materials required for the presentation	Safety Glasses
Fluorescent safety vest	

**Equipment and Materials Supplied by the Committee:**

Flip Chart	Markers
Laptop Computer	
Overhead projector and white board/screen	

**JUDGING CRITERIA**

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| 1. | <i>Workplace Safety Written Test</i>                    | 20% |
| 2. | <i>Hazard Assessment &amp; Risk Assessment Activity</i> | 60% |
| 3. | <i>Presentation</i>                                     | 20% |

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<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>100%</b>
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**RELATED CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY STUDIES COURSES**

Descriptions of all modules are located at the following website:

<https://education.alberta.ca/career-and-technology-studies/programs-of-study/>

**CLOTHING REQUIREMENT**

It is important that competitors present a professional image and appearance. Appropriate work clothing must be worn to compete. All clothing must be neat and clean and free of rips and tears. Casual wear such as shorts will not be permitted. No loose-fitting clothes or jewelry.

**SAFETY**

The health, safety and welfare of all individuals involved with Skills Canada Alberta are of vital importance. Safety is a condition of participation with Skills Canada Alberta and shall not be sacrificed for the sake of expediency. At the discretion of the judges and technical committees, any competitor can be denied the right to participate should they not have the required proper safety equipment and/or act in an unsafe manner that can cause harm to themselves or others.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Lunch will be provided for all competitors. Unfortunately, all allergies may not be able to be accommodated for. Please connect with the local Regional Coordinator for more information.

Regulations & Policies: A copy of the Skills Canada Alberta Regional Regulations & Policies can be found at the following link: <http://www.skillsalberta.com/policies-and-procedures>

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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